

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 31, 2007

S. 1110

Juab County Surface and Ground Water Study and Development Act of 2007

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on May 23, 2007

CBO estimates that implementing S. 1110 would have no significant effect on the budget and would not affect direct spending or revenues. This bill would add the county of Juab, Utah, to a list of counties that are eligible to receive federal funding for a type of water distribution system that stores water runoff from the surface in groundwater aquifers. Such systems are known as conjunctive-use projects.

The Central Utah Project Completion Act authorized the appropriation of \$10 million for those conjunctive-use projects. To date, the Congress has appropriated \$2.5 million for a project in Salt Lake County. Based on information from the Bureau of Reclamation, CBO estimates that the federal share of a conjunctive-use project in Juab County, Utah, would be \$5 million. The project authorized by S. 1110 would compete with other eligible projects to use the remaining funds authorized for conjunctive-use projects.

S. 1110 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The bill would benefit Juab County by authorizing the county to use surface and ground water provided by the Utah Division of Water Resources.

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